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Connecticut State Police Involved in Vehicle Pursuit on Interstate 84 <u>Assist to Groton Town Police Department</u>

On 9-17-04 at approximately 2:30pm, the Connecticut State Police became involved in a pursuit on Interstate 84 Eastbound, in the town of Manchester. The pursuit was initiated by Manchester Police Department, upon receiving information from Groton Town Police Department that the vehicle was wanted for a felony investigation. When the pursuit entered I-84, the Connecticut State Police were notified. Troopers from Troop H, Troop C and "Trooper One" were all dispatched to the area and became involved in the chase. The suspect vehicle made contact with an SUV, which was also traveling on I-84 eastbound, causing very minor damage to the SUV. The suspect lost control and the suspect vehicle went off of the right side of the roadway into a wooded area. This crash occurred in the town of Union, on I-84 eastbound, just east of exit 72. The suspect was taken into custody, and was conscious and communicative, when he was transported, via Lifestar, to Hartford Hospital. The suspect is presently, under State Police Guard at Hartford Hospital. Upon release from Hartford Hospital, the suspect will be charged, by State Police, violations relative to the pursuit and motor vehicle charges related to the accident.

The suspect's identity and the extent of his injuries will follow. There were no other injuries in connection with this incident.

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